

RESOLUTION

NO 09-223

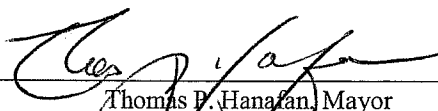
**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN IJOBS GRANT TO
CONSTRUCT A PUBLIC WORKS JOINT OPERATION FACILITY**

- WHEREAS, The State of Iowa has initiated the IJOBS program, a multipart program funded by \$830 million over three years. The program intent is to assist the state in recovery from natural disasters in 2008 and to create or preserve jobs; and
- WHEREAS, The Local Infrastructure Program awards funding on a competitive basis through grant applications. Basis for award includes five equally weighted criteria: Job creation, Financial feasibility, Sustainability and energy efficiency, Benefits for disaster recovery, Readiness to proceed; and
- WHEREAS, Projects eligible are related to: Disaster rebuilding, Reconstruction and replacement of local public buildings, Flood control and flood protection, Future flood prevention; and
- WHEREAS, A Notice of Intent has been submitted for construction of a Public Works Joint Operations Facility. This project was determined to be one which best fits the criteria of the program; and
- WHEREAS, The proposed project provides for construction of a 37,400 SF joint operations center housing Council Bluffs Public Works Street, Sewer, and Traffic Maintenance personnel and equipment. The facility would be located on a parcel of ground the city has previously purchased to accommodate the eventual relocation of all public works divisions to a central location. The proposed building will house 65 employees and 60 major pieces of equipment. In the spring of 2009 a new \$5 million Fleet Maintenance Facility was located on this site; and
- WHEREAS, Currently the city has three separate sites housing Public Works streets, sewers, and traffic operations. One site is immediately adjacent to Indian Creek and is highly vulnerable to flooding. All facilities are in poor condition, undersized, and inadequate to meet the needs of the operation; and
- WHEREAS, In the event of a disaster, Public Works operations are required to play a critical role in response and recovery efforts. A facility which provides for efficient and effective operations will greatly enhance disaster response.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA**

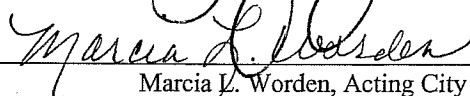
The Mayor and City Council does hereby strongly support the construction of a Public Works Joint Operation Facility and requests consideration from the IJOBS Board of Directors that a Local Infrastructure Program grant be awarded to the City of Council Bluffs.

**ADOPTED
AND
APPROVED July 27, 2009**



Thomas P. Hanafan, Mayor

ATTEST:



Marcia L. Worden, Acting City Clerk

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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July 24, 2009

I-JOBS Board of Directors

Subject: Letter of Support for the Council Bluffs Joint Public Works Operations Facility

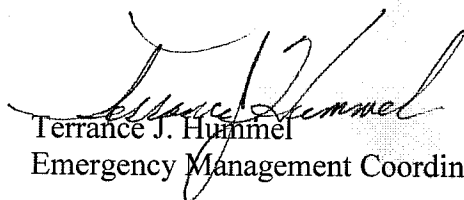
Dear Board Members:

The Pottawattamie County Emergency Management Agency endorses the city's application for I-JOBS funds to construct a Joint Public Works Operations Facility.

From an emergency management perspective, this project is significant in that it will enhance the state of emergency preparedness for one of our major stakeholders, the Council Bluffs Public Works Department. The facility will improve the community's ability to respond to and recovery from disasters.

I encourage the I-JOBS Board of Directors to favorably consider this project. It will improve our ability to protect people and property, as well as mitigate damage from both man-made and natural hazards.

Sincerely,



Terrance J. Hummel
Emergency Management Coordinator



July 22, 2009

I-JOBS Board of Directors

Subject: Letter of Endorsement
Public Works Operations Building

To whom it may concern:

The Council Bluffs Industrial Foundation recognizes the importance of adequate infrastructure, and the continued upkeep and maintenance of that infrastructure, to meet the needs of existing industrial partners and to attract potential future industries to the community. The proposed Public Works Operations Building will provide improved facilities, for the staff and equipment that is charged with keeping the community's infrastructure looking good and operating efficiently. The new facility will also improve the City's readiness to respond to disaster related needs, and will create efficiencies and flexibility that will increase productivity of the City's work crews.

For these reasons, the Council Bluffs Industrial Foundation strongly supports the construction of the new Public Works Operations Building.

Sincerely yours,

Scott Doll (acting President)
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President
Council Bluffs Industrial Foundation